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**REQUEST  
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Application Number	09/838,718
Filing Date	April 19, 2001
First Named Inventor	Steidler et al.
Art Unit	1635
Examiner Name	B. Whiteman
Attorney Docket Number	2676-4779US

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

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- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 20-1469
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Checks in the amount of \$375.00 (RCE) and \$465.00 (Petition for Extension of Time) are enclosed
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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

Steidler et al.

**Serial No.:** 09/838,718

**Filed:** April 19, 2001

**For:** USE OF A CYTOKINE-PRODUCING  
LACTOCOCCUS STRAIN TO TREAT  
COLITIS

**Examiner:** B. Whiteman, Ph.D.

**Group Art Unit:** 1633

**Attorney Docket No.:** 2676-4779US

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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Communication mailed July 16, 2002, please amend the referenced application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 2, 5 and 13 without prejudice or disclaimer.